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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

FROM : Chief, Technical Accounting Staff

SUBJECT: Electronic Data Processing in NSA

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the Comptroller's Office. It was also learned that the NSA has in operation a 705 computer on which it maintains all payroll and leave records as well as allotment control records of NSA. At the present time NSA is adapting to the machine certain budgetary reporting requirements which have heretofore been maintained otherwise.

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3. [REDACTED] was interested in discussing on a general basis the action being taken by CIA concerning the use of electronic data processing with respect to accounting records. The writer informed [REDACTED] on a general basis that we had established a Committee to study this subject and that thus far only one facet of Agency procedure had been considered for adaptation to such a machine, but that as soon as time permits, the Committee will give consideration to other facets of Agency accounting for adaptation to such machines.

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4. [REDACTED] indicated that the NSA has developed a formal presentation with respect to the use being made by it of the 705 computer which it has given on more than one occasion. For example, this presentation was given by NSA at the Air Force, following which, he stated, "The Air Force was enabled to begin using a 705 computer for its payroll and leave records within 6 weeks." [REDACTED] offered to make a presentation concerning the NSA use of the 705 computer to a group in this Agency, if we desire. He suggested that a 1 1/2 hours general type presentation might be the most desirable from an overall viewpoint but that specialists from the working level could be made available at a later time to discuss any specific detailed adaptations in the event this were considered desirable. I indicated to him that I would discuss this with interested officials of the Agency and communicate with him as to our desires.

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cc: ✓ Comptroller; Deputy Comptroller; C/MRD; C/Management Staff.

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